

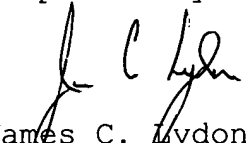
**REMARKS**

This Amendment cancels claims 1-20, adds new claims 21-40, amends the specification and presents a substitute abstract. New claims 21-40 are based on the PCT claims 1-20, but do not contain multiple dependencies. The amendment to the specification inserts a reference to International application PCT/FR02/04565 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.78. The new abstract is based on the PCT abstract. Claims 21-40 are pending.

An Information Disclosure Statement is attached.

It is not believed any fee is required for entry and consideration of this Amendment. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1258 in the amount of any such required fee.

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